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FM AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2725

INFO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM IMMEDIATE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 4414

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASC (SMUTS, SMITH, HUNTER)

SUBJECT: KIDNAPPED AMERICANS: PRP PAMPHLETS

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 1754

1. WHILE I WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION RELEASE PRP DOCUMENTS
GIVEN BARBARA SMUTS IF THIS WERE PART OF PRICE FOR RELEASE
CAPTIVE STUDENTS, I MOST EMPHATICALLY OBJECT TO THIS BEING
DONE ON BASIS OF ANYONE'S "SURMISE." IT SHOULD BE
PERFECTLY CLEAR THAT WE NEED GOVERNMENT OF ZAIRE'S COOPERATION
TO OBTAIN SAFE RETURN OF CAPTIVES FAR MORE THAN WE NEED PUBLICITY FOR
PRP, AT LEAST AT THIS TIME. THERE IS ONE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH I CAN
FORESEE IN WHICH MY VIEW WOULD BE DIFFERENT. IF WE COME TO POINT
WHERE GOZ IS CLEARLY NON-COOPERATIVE, AND I WOULD WANT TO
TEST THIS IN VARIOUS WAYS, THEN RELEASE OF THESE DOCUMENTS
AND ATTENDANT PUBLICITY MIGHT BE USEFUL SOURCE OF
PRESSURE ON GOZ, BUT EVEN THEN WE WOULD BE BETTER
ADVISED TO LET POSSIBILITY BE KNOWN RATHER THAN TO
BLOW IT. IF THIS IS PUT TO BARBARA SMUTS, I BET
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SHE WOULD AGREE ALSO.

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